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COUNTRY East GermanyREPORT TOPIC Arrival of a KVP Unit at the New Installation Southwest of Strausberg

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On 20 and 21 January 1954, a KVP unit occupied the new barracks installation southwest of Strausberg. Personnel observed wore red service color and, a few, the letter A on their epaulets. The unit occupied the headquarters building and one quartering building. About 10 x 3-ton Ifa trucks were parked between two quartering buildings, as well as about 8 field kitchens, which were provided with a make shift roof and immediately started operation. A small number of trucks was seen in front of the headquarters building. Vehicles observed on 23 January included sedan and am-trucks. The unit was armed with submachine guns and a few carbines.

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The four approach roads to the installation were guarded by double sentries, while other sentries patrolled the area between the roads and the installation.

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Comment. The barracks installation southwest of the Strausberg railroad station is also referred to as Installation No 5.

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According to service color, the unit is believed to be an infantry unit, including a few officer aspirants.

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